(c) how many applications for telephone connections have received from each Panchayat under Alampur Exchange;

(d) how many applications are still pending, Panchayat-wise; and

(e) by when the pending applications are likely to be attended to the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Six Panchayats, namely Alampur Lahru, Balkrupi, Jangal (Sai); Jagroopnagar and Sakoh (Part) have been included in the local areas of Alampur Exchange.

(c) to (d) As given in the enclosed statement. See below

(e) The pending applicants will be provided with telephone connections progressively during 1994-95.

Statement

Sl.No	Name of Panchayat	No. of applications received	No. of applicants pending for telephone connections
1	Alampur	22	01
2	Lahru	03	03
3	Balakrupi	04	04
4	Sakoh	03	..
5	Jangal (Sai)	13	..
6	Jagroopnagar	02	..

STD facility in Himachal Pradesh

59. SHRI A. NALLASIVAN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether provision of STD facility at Jai Singhpur, Thural and Alampur Exchanges in Himachal Pradesh Circle is under consideration of the Government; and

(b) if so, by what time this facility will be provided to the above exchanges?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) It is proposed to provide the facility during 1995-96, subject to the availability of resources such as land, building, equipment and funds.

New Telephone exchanges for Himachal Pradesh

60. SHRI A. NALLASIVAN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the targets fixed for new telephone exchanges for Himachal Pradesh circle for the year 1993-94;

(b) the number of new exchanges already commissioned under the target;

(c) whether there was proposal for opening of new telephone exchanges at Bardam, Bandahu, Paplah, Sakoh Panchayats in Himachal Pradesh during 1993-94;

(d) if so, whether these exchanges have been commissioned; and